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TITLE OF INVENTION: MEMORY MODULE WITH DATA BUFFERING

APPLN. TYPE	ENTITY STATUS	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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BANSAL, GURTEJ	2139	711-105000

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<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 14/715,486	<b>Applicant(s)</b> SOLOMON ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b> GURTEJ BANSAL	<b>Art Unit</b> 2139	<b>AIA (First Inventor to File) Status</b> No

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  - A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under **37 CFR 1.130(b)** was/were filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
2.  An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on \_\_\_\_\_; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.
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2.  Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date See Continuation Sheet
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Paper No./Mail Date 20170816.
5.  Examiner's Amendment/Comment
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/GURTEJ BANSAL/  
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2139

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### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in an interview with JAMIE ZHENG on August 15, 2017.

The application has been amended as follows:

### **IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace Paragraphs [0011]-[0013] with the following:

**[0011]** In certain embodiments, a memory module is operable in a computer system to communicate data with a memory controller of the computer system via a memory data bus in response to memory commands received from the memory controller. The memory commands including a first memory command and a subsequent second memory command. The the first memory command is to cause the memory module to receive or output a first data burst and the second memory command is to cause the memory module to receive or output a second data burst. The memory module comprises a printed circuit board, a register coupled to the printed circuit board, a

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plurality of memory integrated circuits mounted on the printed circuit board, a buffer, and logic coupled to the buffer a plurality of memory integrated circuits including at least one first memory integrated circuit and at least one second memory integrated circuit, and further comprises a buffer coupled between the at least one first memory integrated circuit and the data bus, and between the at least one second memory integrated circuit and the data bus. The buffer couples the at least one first memory integrated circuit to the data bus and isolates the at least one second memory integrated circuit from the data bus while the memory module is receiving or outputting the first data burst in response to the first memory command. The buffer then couples the at least one second memory integrated circuit to the data bus and isolates the at least one first memory integrated circuit from the data bus while the memory module is receiving or outputting the second data burst in response to the second memory command.

**[0012]** In certain embodiments, the printed circuit board has a plurality of edge connections configured to be electrically coupled to a corresponding plurality of contacts of a module slot of the computer system. The register is configured to receive and buffer first command and address signals representing the first memory command, and to receive and buffer second command and address signals representing the second memory command. The plurality of memory integrated circuits are arranged in a plurality of ranks including a first rank and a second rank, and including at least one first memory integrated circuit in the first rank and at least one second memory integrated

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circuit in the second rank. The first rank is selected to receive or output the first data burst in response to the first memory command and is not selected to communicate data with the memory controller in response to the second memory command. The second rank is selected to receive or output the second data burst in response to the second memory command and is not selected to communicate data with the memory controller in response to the first memory command. Certain embodiments provide a method of operating a memory module coupled to a memory controller via a memory bus that includes a control/address (C/A) bus and a data bus. The memory module comprises memory integrated circuits, including at least one first memory integrated circuit and at least one second memory integrated circuit. The method comprises receiving from the memory controller a first set of input C/A signals associated with a first memory command via the C/A bus, the first memory command to cause the memory module to receive or output a first data burst; generating a first set of output C/A signals in response to the first set of input C/A signals, the first set of output C/A signals causing the at least one first memory integrated circuit to receive or output the first data burst; receiving from the memory controller a second set of input control/address signals associated with a second memory command via the C/A bus, the second memory command to cause the memory module to receive or output a second data burst; generating a second set of output C/A signals in response to the second set of input C/A signals, the second set of output C/A signals causing the at least one second memory integrated circuit to receive or output the second data burst; coupling the at least one first memory integrated circuit to the data bus and isolating the

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~~at least one second memory integrated circuit from the data bus while the memory module is receiving or outputting the first data burst in response to the first memory command; and coupling the at least one second memory integrated circuit to the data bus and isolating the at least one first memory integrated circuit from the data bus while the memory module is receiving or outputting the second data burst in response to the second memory command.~~

**[0013]** In certain embodiments, the buffer is coupled between the at least one first memory integrated circuit and the memory bus, and between the at least one second memory integrated circuit and the memory bus. The logic is configured to respond to the first memory command by providing first control signals to the buffer to enable communication of the first data burst between the at least one first memory integrated circuit and the memory controller through the buffer. The logic is further configured to respond to the second memory command by providing second control signals to the buffer to enable communication of the second data burst between the at least one second memory integrated circuit and the memory controller through the buffer. The second control signals are different from the first control signals. a circuit is configured to be mounted on a memory module that is operable to communicate data with a memory controller via a data bus in response to memory commands received from the memory controller. The memory module including at least one first memory integrated circuit and at least one second memory integrated circuit. The memory commands including a first memory command and a subsequent second memory command, the

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~~first memory command to cause the at least one first memory integrated circuit to receive or output a first data burst and the second memory command to cause the at least one second memory integrated circuit to receive or output a second data burst. The circuit comprises logic that couples the at least one first memory integrated circuit to the data bus and that isolates the at least one second memory integrated circuit from the data bus while the memory module is receiving or outputting the first data burst in response to the first memory command. The logic then couples the at least one second memory integrated circuit to the data bus and isolates the at least one first memory integrated circuit from the data bus while the memory module is receiving or outputting the second data burst in response to the second memory command~~

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Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following:

#### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A memory module is operable to communicate data with a memory controller via a memory data bus in response to memory commands received from the memory controller. The memory module comprises a plurality of memory integrated circuits arranged in ranks and including at least one first memory integrated circuit in a first rank and at least one second memory integrated circuit in a second rank, and further comprises a buffer ~~that couples~~ coupled between the at least one first memory integrated circuit and to the memory data bus and between ~~isolates~~ the at least one second memory integrated circuit and from the ~~memory data~~ bus. The memory module further comprises logic providing first control signals to the buffer to enable communication of ~~while the memory module is receiving or outputting~~ a first data burst between the memory controller and the at least one first memory integrated circuit through the buffer in response to a first memory command, and providing second control signals to the buffer to enable communication of a second data burst between ~~the memory module and the memory bus~~. The buffer then couples the at least one second memory integrated circuit and the memory bus through the buffer ~~to the data bus and isolates the at least one first memory integrated circuit from the data bus~~ while the memory module is receiving or outputting a second data burst in response to a second memory command.

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the at least one first memory integrated circuit and the memory controller is enabled in accordance with the latency value.

30. (Previously Presented) The memory module of claim 1, wherein the memory module is further coupled to the memory controller using an on-die-termination (ODT) bus, wherein each of the plurality of memory devices includes an ODT circuit, the memory module further comprising a termination circuit external to any of the plurality of memory devices, wherein the termination circuit is coupled to the ODT bus and to the ODT circuit of at least one of the plurality of memory devices, wherein the termination circuit is configured to provide external termination of the at least one of the plurality of memory devices in response to an ODT signal on the ODT bus, and wherein the ODT circuit in the at least one of the plurality of memory devices is disabled.

31. (Previously Presented) The memory module of claim 1, wherein the buffer comprises combinatorial logic, registers, and logic pipelines, and is configured to register an additional clock cycle for transferring the first data burst or the second data burst through the buffer.

32. (Previously Presented) The memory module of claim 25, wherein the logic is further configured to determine the latency value.

33. (Previously Presented) The memory module of claim 25, wherein the logic is further configured to enable the communication of the second data burst between the at least one second memory integrated circuit and the memory controller in accordance with the latency value.

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34. (Previously Presented) The memory module of claim 33, wherein the buffer comprises combinatorial logic, registers, and logic pipelines and is configured to register an additional clock cycle for transferring the second data burst through the buffer.

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to GURTEJ BANSAL whose telephone number is (571)270-5588. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., EST.

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